SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 269 By Jackson

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Leslie Kay Shepard, 2003 Salutatorian of Dickson County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Shepard is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2003 graduating class at Dickson County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Leslie Shepard has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Leslie Shepard has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Shepard's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; she plans to attend the University of Tennessee to pursue a career as a pharmacist; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Leslie has received the Girls'
Citizenship Award, the St. Jude Honor Award, and 2nd Place at the Austin Peay Science Expo,
was a Girls State Alternate, and was selected "Most Likely To Succeed" by her classmates; and

WHEREAS, an extremely talented and well-rounded young woman, Leslie is also widely involved in many clubs and organizations; she is a valuable member of the concert choir, Beta Club, Student Council, the Youth Leadership Dickson County Advisory Council, and she is a Varsity Cheerleader and Opening Doors program tutor; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Shepard's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Shepard, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Shepard's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2003 Dickson County High School Salutatorian, Leslie Kay Shepard, on her impressive academic achievements, including her receipt of the Girls' Citizenship Award, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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